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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4.

MILITARY AND CIVIC PARADE.

Parade forms on South Main street, right resting on Center street.

Line moves at 10 A. M. over the following

LINE OF MARCH.

Center street to North Colony street, to Christian street, to North Whittlesey avenue, to South Whittlesey avenue, to Parson street, to South Main street, to North Main street, to Dutton park. Counter-march to Christian street, to North Elm street, to Center street, passing in review at City Hall, to Main street and dismissal.

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Yalesville Drum Corps.

His Excellency Governor Marcus H. Holcomb and Staff.

Third Battalion, C. S. G., Major L. B. Jennings.

Company L, Captain Howard Curtis.

Co. I, Captain Samuel Butler.

Co. K, Captain Everts C. Stevens.

Second Company Governor's Foot Guards, Major John W. Gilson.

First Company, Governor's Foot Guards, Major Lucius Barbour.

The Putnam Phalanx, Major George H. Gabb.

102d Regiment Band.

Wallingford Post, American Legion, Sergt. Kenneth Reed commanding
Visiting Members, American Legion.

Veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, Spanish-American war
and other wars.

Meriden Military Band.

Owenoco Tribe, I. O. R. M. and Visiting Red Men.

Degree of Pocohontas—Float.

Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Ladies' Auxiliary, Div. 19, A. O. H.

Pinta Council, Knights of Columbus.

Wallingford Lodge, No. 1365, B. P. O. Elks—Float.

New Britain Philharmonic Band.

United Hungarian Societies.

Accanant Lodge, I. O. O. F.—Float.

Companions of the Forest.

Ivy Lodge, No. 43, K. of P.—Float.

Meriden Drum Corps.

United Polish Societies.

Owenoco Haymakers.

Wallingford Club.

Geo. Stevenson Lodge, Sons of St. George.

Wallingford Council, Royal Arcanum.

Playground Association—Float.

Band.

Woman's Club—Float.

Star of Valley Lodge, S. of B.—Float.

Young Men's Athletic Club—Float.

Y. M. T. A. B. & L. Society—Float.

Town's Manufacturers represented by Floats.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4.

12:30 o'clock.

PLANTING OF MEMORIAL OAK.

By His Excellency Governor Marcus H. Holcomb.

Under the auspices of

The Park Commissioners of the Town of Wallingford.

Address by Charles H. Tibbits, President of the Board.

Placing and Planting of the Tree.

Committee.

Wallingford Board of Park Commissioners,

Charles H. Tibbits, Miss Harriet L. Wallace, John G. Phelan,

John B. Kendrick, John R. Barnes.

Memorial tree to be planted on grounds of Lyman Hall High
school immediately following the parade.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4.

3 p. m., at Choate Field.

*"All the land was full of people,
Restless, struggling, toiling, striving,
Speaking many tongues, yet feeling
But one heart-beat in their bosoms.
In the woodland rang their axes,
Smoked their towns in all the valleys,
Over all the lakes and rivers,
Rushed their great canoes of thunder."*

EPISODE I.

Scene I.

The assembling of the Council, Mattabesitt Indians.

From the forest and the mountains,
From the rivers and the valleys,
Hasten, now, O sons of Weena!

Hasten from the gentle south wind,
Hasten from the pleasant west wind,

Hasten from the north and east wind!
Sing and offer praise to Weena,
To the mighty spirit, Weena!

1st Youth:
(Leslie Saunders)

To you, wise men, and our fathers,
We have come to show our prowess;
To implore a name be given,
Worthy of our skill in hunting,
Worthy of our strong endurance,
And the Courage Spirit, Weena!
Weena! Weena!

Councillors:

Tell us, then, O youths of courage,
What it is you've done among you.

1st Youth:

I have crossed the falling waters,
Fiercely dashing far below me;
I have found the logway fallen,
That has made the crossing bridgeway,
I have twice and thrice attempted,
Then, at last, have leapt the waters!

Councillors:

Leaping Water, shall we call you;
Leaping Water! Ahuajin!
Ahuajin! Ahuajin!

2nd Youth:
(Vernon Talbot)

I have hunted in the forest,
Hunted when the trees were leafless,
For the leaves had fallen thickly,
Heaped about me in dry masses;
I have found them burning fiercely,
Fierce I've fought the fire and quenched it.

Councillors:

Evermore, then, shall we call you,
Stamp Fire! By that name, Wohela!
Wohela! Wohela!

3d Youth:
(Harold Eriksen)

By the sunny, sloping pasture,
Where the young colts feed in numbers,
I have found one that no other,
Ever dared to try the temper.
I have ridden, tossed and turning,
Clung and beating, I have tamed him!

Councillors:

For this skill in temper trying,
Kicking Horse, your name! Ossoomuh!
Ossoomuh! Ossoomuh!

4th Youth: (William Lair) By you, wise men, and our fathers,
I've been sent on lengthy errands
To the wigwams of our neighbors
With a message of great value;
From the lightning I have fallen;
Stunned, and crawling—brought the message!

Councillors: Hit-in-the-Head! The name be given
To you, forever more! Nahmahway!
Mahmahway! Mahmahway!

5th Youth: (George Harth) For five days, wise men and fathers,
In the marshland, in the swampland,
I have lived in seeking swamp roots,
Medicine for old and feeble;
Five long days, in thirst and hunger,
I have sought the roots, and found them!

Councillors: And for this, Swamp Root we shall call you;
The name be given—Keewis-kawin!
Keewis-kawin! Keewis-kawin!

For Weena's sake,
Ahuajin! Wohela! Ossoomuh! Mahmahway! Keewis-kawin!

Dance of the councillors and youths, in celebration of the bestowal of names.

Scene II.

The return of the warriors, who have been in combat with
their enemies, the Pequots.

Councillors: Four times has the sun risen and set in the heavens, since
you left us to fight the Pequots who have made their way
across the Great River at the East, and no scalps we see,
as tokens.

Montowese: (Herbert I. Lee) The sun shall rise and set no more for Ahmusk, and his
followers. They lie by the Great River.

Accanant: (George Pogmore) And the moon shines down upon the graves of others.

Wayashunt: (George Crooks) The winds shall blow no more upon the faces of many
braves we left.

Mimiquae: (Charles Cooper) The rain shall wash away the blood where they were slain,
but not the anger and the sorrow of our hearts.

Montowese: Tribute must we render, otter and ermine, arrowheads and
horses.

Councillors: We will move onward to the west, where the sun sets, and
the wind spirit dwells.

Accanant: The trail of the Mohawks is on the West.

Wayashunt: O, my father, there are white men at the river's mouth,
many of them.

Accanant: Paleface children! Seeking to share our land.

Montowese: Palefaces, but enemies of the Pequots and the Mohawks.

Mimiquae: Great are the numbers of the Palefaces, many are their
lodging places at the river's mouth.

Wayashunt: We, whose loss is great in numbers, let us gather near to
them for shelter.

Accanant: Great is the tribute to be paid our enemies.

Montowese:

And great the desire of the Palefaces for our land. I—Montowese—am the friend of the white man, for our good. When he comes to our wigwams, I give him welcome. To the white man, I give welcome!

Welcome! To the white man, welcome!

COUNCILLORS—Fred Lobb, Howard Emory, Edwin Cowen, Leslie Rose, Theodore Afflect, Charles Chandler, Russell Foster, Clayton Francis, Charles Smith, Rudolph Hauer.

EPISODE II.—The Vision.

Scene I.

In 1660, the land upon which is located the present town of Wallingford, was surveyed by Rev. Mr. Davenport, Thomas Yale, William Andrews, John Brockett, Nathaniel Merriman and Montowese.

Mr. Merriman: (Henry L. Davis) It is here, Goodman Brockett, enclosed in the circle of these gentle hills, that our idea of a new town might fitly be carried out.

Mr. Brockett: (Charles C. Carroll) It is a sightly place, covering many good miles, if I mistake not.

Mr. Andrews: (Charles F. Williams) It is the same land, then, that some twenty years ago was bought of our friend, Montowese?

Mr. Brockett: The same. I have surveyed it before, and today will fix the boundary lines again.

Mr. Yale: (Lucius Maltby) Then it is the plan to settle the land that we see, from our numbers at New Haven?

Mr. Merriman: A Divine Providence has seemed to point the way to this end. It is said that Mr. Davenport has felt it so, though he has spoken not, since we paused here.

Mr. Davenport: (James H. Solandt) So beautiful a place in nature, as we see now, cannot but fill the mind with thoughts of the Creator of this fair land. Since standing here, that Scriptural verse has come to me with extra meaning: "My beloved hath a vineyard in a very fruitful hill." Look yonder, and see the valley land, fertile and green, and the hills yonder, of what may they not prove fruitful, in years to come? People shall live here, led by the Spirit of Progress, and by Courage. Religious Freedom shall be theirs, and Liberty. Education shall come to them, and Industry; and Justice reign through them, forever. Look yonder! And think how wondrous is the future for the dwellers of this place!

Scene II.

Dance of the Allegorical Figures.

<i>Courage</i>	Lucy Roper
<i>Liberty</i>	Eloise Haywood
<i>Justice</i>	Helen Backes
<i>Religious Freedom</i>	Jessie Law
<i>Progress</i>	Margaret Law Ohr
<i>Education</i>	Dorothy Ives
<i>Industry</i>	Nathalie Walker
<i>Spirit of Wallingford</i>	Elizabeth Martin

EPISODE III.

The Beginning of the Fulfillment of the Vision.

Scene I.

In 1669, the Spirit of Progress led thirty-eight brave men in New Haven, to pledge themselves to lay out a new town, which was to become the village of Wallingford.

Governor Eaton:
(T. Henry Prisk) The purpose of this committee whom I have hereby chosen to my aid, is to present before the worthy body of men we shall meet here today, the substance of this document, and witness the signing thereof.

Mr. Humiston:
(Louis Hotchkiss) Your Excellency, this is an occasion of historic moment. These men, I trust, are aware of the seriousness of their undertaking?

Governor Eaton: They shall speak for themselves, for here they are assembling. Mr. Broadley, I appoint you secretary of this meeting, that the record may be kept.

Mr. Street:
(Wilbur A. Simpson) Your Excellency, we are here as by agreement, signifying our intention of settling the new town spoken of.

Governor Eaton: My address to you, then, is not an admonition of the dangers that may beset you, but rather an explanation of the document which you are about to sign. Mr. Broadley, and it please you, we shall hear this document.

Mr. Broadley:
(Norman H. Barnes) "We, whose names are underwritten, being accepted by the committee of New Haven for ye intended village as planned, and desiring that the worship and ordinances of God may in due time be set up, and encouraged among us—do engage ourselves peaceably to submit to such settlement and civil orders, as the said committee shall direct among us—until the said village come to be an orderly establishment within itself, and lastly we do engage—to settle upon the place, by May next, come twelvemonth, if God's providence inevitably hinder not, and to observe—every the other articles agreed upon."

Governor Eaton: You have heard the reading of this document. Do ye as a body approve of its text?

Men: Aye!

Governor Eaton: Then it but remains for the guarantee of your signature.

Mr. Broadley: Samuel Street! Nathaniel Merriman! Abraham Doolittle! William Johnson! Benjamin Lewis! Samuel Whitehead! Eliasaph Preston! Eleazar Holt! Samuel Andrews! Daniel Sherman! Samuel Munson! John Harriman! John Mosse! Jero How! Daniel Hogge! Thomas Hall! Thomas Curtis! John Beech! Jehiel Preston! Samuel Hall! Eleazer Peck! Samuel Potter! John Peck! Francis Heaton! John Brockett! Zach. How! John Milles! Nathaniel How! Thomas Yale! John Ives! John Hall! Joseph Ives! Joseph Benham! Simon Tuttell! Samuel Brown! Samuel Cook! Samuel Milles! Nathan Andrews!

Governor Eaton: And nod, Mr. Street, the sanction of the Divine Spirit were needed to be implored, for this occasion.

Mr. Street: May God, who hath led men through the wilderness, lead us with honor, lead us with courage, and lead us to build our town as we build our hopes of another world, founded on the strength ever of good works. *Amen.*

CHARACTERS:

<i>Governor Eaton</i>	T. Henry Prisk
<i>William Broadley</i>	Norman H. Barnes
<i>John Humiston</i>	Louis Hotchkiss
<i>John Harriman</i>	Raymond Brock
<i>Matthew Gilbert</i>	Archibold Prisk
<i>Abraham Dickerman</i>	Charles B. Young
<i>Jeremiah Osborn</i>	Emerson Leonard

SIGNERS:

<i>Samuel Street</i>	W. A. Simpson
<i>Nathaniel Merriman</i>	Harold Merriman Rogers
<i>Abraham Doolittle</i>	Isaac Doolittle
<i>William Johnson</i>	George W. Harrison
<i>Benjamin Lewis</i>	Benjamin Harrison
<i>Samuel Whitehead</i>	A. A. Blakeslee
<i>Eliasaph Preston</i>	William B. Hill
<i>Eleazar Holt</i>	Edmund Beaumont
<i>Samuel Andrews</i>	Giles A. Hull
<i>Daniel Sherman</i>	C. A. Kinney
<i>Samuel Munson</i>	George Simpson
<i>John Harriman</i>	Raymond Brock
<i>John Mosse</i>	F. W. Frost
<i>Jero How</i>	Blakeslee Barnes
<i>Daniel Hogge</i>	Thomas Pring
<i>Thomas Hall</i>	Almon Hall
<i>Thomas Curtis</i>	George A. Thurrot
<i>John Beech</i>	Zera Beach
<i>Jehiel Preston</i>	
<i>Samuel Hall</i>	Louis Hall
<i>Eleazer Peck</i>	Arthur Williams
<i>Samuel Potter</i>	C. O. Young
<i>John Peck</i>	
<i>Francis Heaton</i>	Edward Heaton
<i>John Brockett</i>	John Brockett
<i>Zach. How</i>	Darwin G. Griswold
<i>John Milles</i>	L. Morelle Cook
<i>Nathaniel How</i>	
<i>Thomas Yale</i>	
<i>John Ives</i>	Delevan Ives
<i>John Hall</i>	Edson Leonard
<i>Joseph Ives</i>	George Ives
<i>Joseph Benham</i>	Hobart Brockett
<i>Simon Tuttle</i>	A. T. Henry
<i>Samuel Brown</i>	Raymond Leonard
<i>Samuel Cook</i>	Chester Cook
<i>Samuel Milles</i>	James Barnes
<i>Nathan Andrews</i>	Harold Young

Scene II.

A May Day in Old England.

Dance of the English Lassies, on the Green.

DANCERS:

Margaret Barry, Genevieve O'Connell, Elsie Doreau, Alicia Brow, Alice Lee, Althea Page, Dorothy Gilbert, Alice Lynch, Marie Germaine, Edith Hoyt, Marion Kelly, Betty Conheady, Mary Fillippo, May Beale, Ella Hall, Dorothy Sochrens, Eleanor Guilbeault, Verna Besse, Margaret McKenna, Mildred Konzelman, Helen Martin, Helen Dray, Margaret Wooding, Helen MacKenzie, Dorothy Goff, Mildred Warrender, Viola Hall, Virginia Cox, Harriet Craig, Edna Wood, Ernestine Germaine, Jane Dickerman, Harriet Buffum, Harriet Brosnan, Hilda Russo, Johanna Gorman, Olive Post, Charlotte Wolf, Alma Coates, Ora Germaine, Eleanor Brainerd, Florence Boni, Dolly Cass, May O'Donnell, Anna Lewis, Margaret Taylor, Ethel Kenny, Irene Lisnaye, Anna Roche, Alice LaPointe, Florence Taylor, Catherine Hayden, Helen McKenna, Clair Barry, Margaret Naczi, Catherine Cooney, Gertrude Coates, Betty Brainerd, Edna Germaine, Gertrude Ulbrich, Ellen Boylan, Margaret Leavenworth, Jean Leavenworth, Emma Reyhon, Loretta Kane, Eleanor Fitzgerald, Dorothy McKeon, Virginia Grasser, Catherine Sochrens, Edith Allen, Harriet Penniman, Virginia Robinson, Loretta Fahey.

Scene III.

A May Day in New England.

Courage, an unseen but ever ready equipment, went with the early settlers on their journey through new country to their intended village, and helped them to face whatever unknown dangers awaited them. In May, 1670, a little band of people arrived with all their worldly goods, with all their hopes and fears, and began the making of our present town.

PARTICIPANTS:

Leslie Saunders.	George W. Harrison.
Vernon Talbot.	Benjamin Harrison.
Harold Eriksen.	A. A. Blakeslee.
William Lair.	William B. Hill.
George Harth.	Edmund Beaumont.
Herbert I. Lee.	Giles A. Hull.
George Pogmore.	C. A. Kinney.
George Crooks.	George Simpson.
Charles Cooper.	Raymond Brock.
Fred Lobb.	F. W. Frost.
Howard Emory.	Blakeslee Barnes.
Edwin Cowen.	Thomas Pring.
Leslie Rose.	Almon Hall.
Theodore Afflect.	George A. Thurrot.
Charles Chandler.	Zera Beach.
Russell Foster.	Louis Hall.
Clayton Francis.	Arthur Williams.
Charles Smith.	C. O. Young.
Rudolph Hauer.	Edward Heaton.
T. Henry Prisk.	John Brockett.
Norman H. Barnes.	Darwin G. Griswold.
Louis Hotchkiss.	L. Morelle Cook.
Raymond Brock.	Delevan Ives.
Archibold Prisk.	Edson Leonard.
Charles B. Young.	George Ives.
Emerson Leonard.	Hobart Brockett.
Wilbur A. Simpson.	A. T. Henry.
Norman H. Barnes.	Raymond Leonard.
W. A. Simpson.	Chester Cook.
Harold Merriman Rogers.	James Barnes.
Isaac Doolittle.	Harold Young.

Scene IV.

Evening in the New Town, a Service of Thanksgiving.

Religious Freedom was of chief importance to all colonists, but to none more than the Wallingford settlers, who desired, first of all, in their settlement document, that "the worship of God be set up among us."

"How sweet and awful is the place
With Christ within the doors;
While everlasting love displays
The choicest of her stores!

While all our hearts, and all our songs
Join to admire the feast,
Each of us cries, with thankful tongues,
"Lord, why was I a guest?"

'Twas the same love that spread the feast
That sweetly drew us in;
Else we had still refused to taste,
And perished in our sin."

EPISODE IV.

Scene I.

"The Cradle of American Liberty."

Two years before the Declaration of Independence, Wallingford men declared themselves free, at a town meeting held in protest over the passing of the Stamp Act. The Spirit of Liberty which led them to declare themselves free men, proclaimed them as forerunners of an American democracy.

Drummer:
(Henry Kane) Hear ye! Hear ye! Town meeting tonight! Hear ye!
Hear ye! Town meeting tonight! Special town meeting
at seven o'clock! Hear ye! Hear ye! Town meeting
tonight!

1st Man:
(Walter Winchell) What is it, what is the news?

2d Man:
(Fred Burghoff) It is the news which has just reached the colonies, of the
Stamp Act which has been agreed upon in London.

Moderator:
(George H. Craig) Will the meeting come to order! This meeting has been
called to bring to your attention the news of the Stamp
Act passed in London, whereby all documents and paper
and parchment used in business shall be stamped.

Men: Mr. Moderator! Mr. Moderator! Mr. Moderator!

Moderator: Order! I am in authority at this meeting to appeal to
your sense of justice. Shall we, or shall we not, acquiesce
in this injustice?

Men: No! No! We shall not!

Moderator: Did our ancestors, or did they not, purchase this township?

All: Aye! Aye!

Moderator: And they who planted at expense, and possessed in peril,
did they, or did they not, bequeath this land to us?

Men: They did!

Moderator: And our inheritance is, we were born free!

Men: We were born free!

Moderator: Therefore, what action shall be taken?

Men: Mr. Moderator! Mr. Moderator!

Moderator: Order! Mr. Andrews!

Mr. Andrews: I vote that anyone who uses a sign or stamp on any docu-
ments be fined twenty shillings.

Men: Aye! Aye! I second it!

Moderator: It has been voted that anyone who uses on any paper or
parchment any such stamp shall be fined twenty shillings,
whereas and because—

Men: Our ancestors purchased the land; possessed it in peril;
bequeathed it to us; we are, therefore, born Free, and are
Free Men of the American Colonies.

Scene II.

Training Day in the Colonies.

PUTNAM PHALANX.

Major George H. Gabb, commanding.

Scene III.

Assembly on the Green.

A patriotic demonstration in 1778, in rejoicing over the news of action favorable to the interests of the colonies being taken in courts abroad.

MINUET.

The Toasts: "May monopolizers and withholders, Tories and Tyrants meet with the confusion they so justly deserve."

"May the internal foes of America never taste the sweets of liberty."

"May the Union of the American States be perpetual and their prize, Freedom, until time shall be no more."

MINUET MEN:

Walter Winchell, Ernest Borghi, William Barry, Emile Gocurey, Oscar Ring, Victor Ring, Ray Sutterlin, Ray Fox, Henry Kane, Everett Smith, John Kane, Edward Cowen, Charles Szad, Frank Peregrin, Albert Buksowski, Frank Harrington, Moise Lecurer, Ray Burke, Louis Serar, George Dyer, Fred Burghoff, Floyd Lobb, John Dyer, Daniel Havens, Joseph Bedell, Marc Sanders, Harry Haywood, Clifford Thompson, Robert Wilkes, Samuel Clulee, Herman Delius, Fred Hines, Mr. Edgerton, Morgan Dickerman.

MAIDS:

Katherine Backes, Miss Thurston, Miss Lane, Helen Davis, Dorothy Clulee, Ethel Fowler, Mrs. Evelyn Ribie, Miss Amy Chase, Miss Mary Bullis, Miss Margaret Thomas, Miss Ellen Talcott, Mrs. Francis Carroll, Miss Janet Stevenson, Miss Josephine Stevenson, Mrs. Samuel Wilkes, Mrs. D. H. Havens, Mrs. Joseph Bedell, Mrs. Marc Sanders, Mrs. H. Haywood, Mrs. Raymond Wooding, Miss Dorothy Ives, Mrs. J. H. Buffum, Mrs. Clifford Thompson, Mrs. C. E. Breckenridge, Miss Anne Thomas, Miss Louise Martin, Miss Nathalie Walker, Miss Elizabeth Kelly.

Scene IV.

Approach and Dispersion of the British, 1789.

The colonists were still in fear of the British when, at this time, Col. Street Hall called them to action with the alarm, "The British! The British are at New Haven! To arms! The British are coming!"

EPISODE V.

The Wallingford Union Academy, 1818.

Education has been foremost among the necessities of the town from its first foundation, and because of its schools, a just reputation has been earned beyond the dreams of its early visioners, for educational development.

Girls: Let us hear, if you can say
All the lessons, learned today;

Boys: Oh, it's reading, writing, 'rithmetic we know;
Problems in square root and compound interest, show!

Girls: Very good, boys, true as well,
Is there more, boys, that you can tell?

Boys: Yes, we learn geometry and history,
In our Union Academy.

Boys: Now, please tell us, what you can say
Of the lessons you've learned today;

Girls: Oh, it's botany, astronomy we know;
And with stitches fine, embroidering, we sew;

Boys: Very good, girls, good and true;
Is there more, girls, that you can do?

Girls: Yes, we learn to paint and draw, and gentle be,
In our Union Academy.

PUPILS:

Doris Smith, Mildred Post, Vivian Russo, Esther Zellars, Lisa Malmquist, Hattie Karolshak, Martha Eriksen, Arline Houlihan, Jennie Costa, Madeline Phelan, Lily Whitehouse, Elizabeth Cass, Everett Lobb, Everett Hall, Robert Hall, Bernard Tully, Nohrdell Post, Milton Alex, John Craig, Anson Clinton.

EPISODE VI.

An Afternoon Tea Party, 1837.

The Spirit of Industry led the men of Wallingford, soon after their arrival, to build a small grist mill. From then on, factories have changed, but have always multiplied in usefulness and numbers; for the tendency shown in the beginning to create and produce, has grown into a strong and worthy attribute.

Dance of the Spoons (R. Wallace)

Display of the Teasetts (Simpson, Yale Co. and S. S. Clark)

TEA PARTY LADIES:

Miss Thelma Bertini, Miss Margaret Berdon, Mrs. Francis Carroll, Miss Amy Chase, Mrs. Charles Dunn, Miss Melissa Hall, Miss Katherine Judd, Miss Katherine Linsley, Miss Louise Martin, Miss Jessie Perkins, Miss Josephine Stevenson, Miss Ellen Talcott, Miss Annie Thomas.

DANCE OF THE SPOONS:

Edward Socha, John Lewis, John DeLucia, Peter Yianotti, Leo Socho, Robert Post, Charles Clulee, Henry Backes, Dorence Hill, John Sochrens, Robert Wilkinson, Ralph Russo, Jr., John McGuire, Charles Gorman, John Fagan, Raymond Schumacher, Ernest Kershaw, Robert McNulty, Clifford Leavenworth, Jr., Howard Allen, Joseph Palatzky, Antonio Cifferalli, Steven Hubert, Henry Saunders, Stanley Pyskaty, Charles Newcomb, James Saunders, Mark White, Joseph Kamon, Theodore Wendt, Andrew Geret, William Benziger, Nicholas Norman, Harold Gerripy, William Condon, Edwin Hoffman, Antonio Allaire, Edward Banyoz, John Casey, Francis Condon, Buell Norton, Roy Chapman, Bernard Luby, Francis Griffin, William Ennis, Franl Ivan, Joseph Zinner, Wilbur Carmody, Frank Clark, Charles Trowbridge, Arthur Trowbridge, Milton Dean, John Welch, Walter Kacprbynsky.

TEASETS:

Margaret Casey, Victoria Pyskati, Irene Casey, Emma Struwas, Jennie Pirarsky, Florence Hoffman, Helen Harrison, Emma Raroszky, Katy Pirarsky, Martha Dexter, Mary Harrison, Harriet Thurder, Elizabeth Elish, Gazella Kovach, Loretta Murphy, Mary Gode.

EPISODE VII.

Procession of Vehicles.

Captain Macock Ward built, in 1755, the first chaise in this vicinity, a two-wheeled vehicle.

Ezra Rice owned the first pleasure vehicle that was ever seen in Meriden and vicinity, and this wagon had four wheels.

Th stage coach was an important social and national institution in the days of romance, revolution, powdered wig, and polite manners.

The one-horse chaise of the late 1700's was the forerunner of the buggy, the phaeton, the runabout, and the roadster.

EPISODE VIII.

War Wedding of the Sixties.

Justice demanded that men should fight for the abolition of slavery, and to many a Northern bride came the sorrow of parting, with the call to arms.

Scene I.

The Arrival of the Guests.

Scene II.

The Wedding.

Scene III.

The Departure of the Soldiers.

Scene IV.

The Soldier's Farewell.

Scene V.

The Wedding Guests.

Scene VI.

When Johnny Comes Marching Home Again.

WEDDING PARTY:

Bride Miss Janet Stevenson
Groom Harold Edgerton
Minister Harry Biggins

MAIDS:

Miss Dorothy Clulee, Miss Helen Backes, Miss Katherine Backes, Miss Helen Davis, Miss Kathleen O'Brien, Miss Ethel Fowler, Mrs. Evelyn Ribie, Mrs. Ernest Atkinson.

EPISODE IX.

The World War.

The Spirit of Wallingford, with the aid of her Courage, Liberty, Justice; of Industry, Religious Freedom, Progress and Education, had passed through nearly 250 years of well doing, and well being, when the great sacrifice was demanded of her, of giving her sons in service in the World War; and no prouder moment was hers than when she so generously gave of those whom it was so hard to give.

Scene I.

Spirit of War:
(Leo Del Rosso) I am the Spirit of War! I call to my aid all those who have courage to offer sacrifice, in the name of humanity!

Justice:
(Lucy Roper) You, who sound the clarion of War, do this in my name; I have led you in the cause of the oppressed.

Liberty:
(Eloise Haywood) I am the spirit that has ever led Wallingford in the great epochs of her existence.

War:
(Leo Del Rosso) Sacrifice and sorrow go hand in hand with me, but Peace and Democracy shall follow after and bring joy to the world.

Wallingford:
(Elizabeth Martin) I am the Spirit of Wallingford! Let me know sacrifice—and let me know sorrow! For I shall also know that I am on the side of the oppressed. Gladly and freely, then, I give my sons to you, in the name of humanity!

Scene II.

Wallingford's Sons.

Kenneth Reed, commanding.

SHAW-SIMON POST, AMERICAN LEGION.

EPISODE X.

Scene I.

The Vision Fulfilled.

- Mr. Davenport:* (James H. Solandt) And as we view this place, which we hope may be so fruitful a vineyard, would that we could behold a vision of what may come to pass.
- Mr. Brockett:* (C. C. Carroll) From so small a band of people, can greatness of numbers ever come? Or shall savage races rise from unknown quarters, and put an end to our efforts in establishing a colony?
- Mr. Merriman:* (Henry L. Davis) Nay, let us not be discouraged by a smallness of numbers, which a Divine Providence hath prospered in this wilderness we have come to. Let us, rather, as Mr. Davenport hath said, look to a largeness of the population of the town that shall be here, and in its accomplishments.
- Mr. Brockett:* Vain imaginings, I fear, but would that they could come true.
- Mr. Davenport:* Yet I think I see the vision become a wondrous great reality!

Scene II.

Wallingford Today.

(*Tune: America.*)

To thee, O Wallingford,
Land of the hopes and dreams
Of ancient days;
To what thy years have brought,
To all the brave deeds wrought
To all thy lessons taught,
We offer praise.

For thee, O Wallingford,
For all thy future years,
We hope and pray;
Our hopes, like those of old,
Visions of growth behold;
Our pride and love untold,
Are thine, this day.

Saturday, September 4.

Evening.

BLOCK DANCING.

Center street, between William and Meadow streets.
8 o'clock until midnight.

Music by The Meriden Military Band.

Committee.

James J. Kane,

Thomas Rowdie,

William Smith.

Sunday September 5.

Morning.

The Congregational Church, for many years known as the First Church of Christ of Wallingford, will hold special services Sunday at 10:30 a. m. The Congregational Church of Cheshire, the Center Congregational and the First Congregational Churches of Meriden, and the Center Church of New Haven have been invited to be present by pastor and delegation and also to have some part on the program. There will be special music and singing of some of the Old Puritan tunes and hymns. Rev. Edwin G. Zellars, pastor.

EPISCOPAL—The Right Reverend E. Campion Acheson, D. D., Suffragan Bishop of Connecticut, will preach at the Anniversary Service to be held in St. Paul's Church on Sunday, at 10:30 a. m. Appropriate music will be sung by the Choir. Rev. Arthur P. Greenleaf, Rector.

BAPTIST—The Rev. Archibald A. Forshee, of New York, will preach at the First Baptist Church Sunday morning, at 10.30 o'clock. Mr. Forshee is one of the secretaries of the Northern Baptist Convention Promotion Board. There will be appropriate music by the choir. Rev. D. W. Lovett, pastor.

METHODIST—Special Historical Address by the pastor, the Rev. Howard W. Benedict, at the 10:30 o'clock morning service. The Methodist church of Yalesville will unite and representatives of the Methodist churches of Meriden, Cheshire and New Haven will be present. There will be orchestrial music for congregational singing.

CATHOLIC—Regular services will be held at Holy Trinity church, Sunday morning, masses being celebrated at 7, 8, 9 and 10:30 o'clock. Rev. John H. Carroll, rector.

LOAN EXHIBITION.

In Auditorium of Town Hall.

Open throughout the celebration. Small admission fee charged.

Here will be found heirlooms of many of the old families of the town; antique furniture, priceless china and innumerable articles displaying the handiwork of residents of a century ago.

COMMITTEE.

MRS. GEORGE H. CRAIG, Chairman.

Miss Nellie Yale, secretary,
Mrs J. R. Cottrill,
Almer I. Martin,
John G. Phelan,
Harry E. Dickerman,
Linus H. Hall,
James F. Wooding,
Henry A. Norton,
Noah Linsley,
William A. MacKenzie,
George E. Hough,
Mrs. William H. Goddard,

Mrs. Marc B. Sanders,
Mrs. A. I. Martin,
Dr. G. H. Craig,
Mrs. H. E. Dickerman,
Mrs. L. H. Hall,
Mrs. J. F. Wooding,
Mrs. H. A. Norton,
Mrs. Noah Linsley,
Mrs. W. A. MacKenzie,
Mrs. G. E. Hough,
Miss Jane E. Doolittle.

Sunday, September 5.

3 o'clock p. m.

HISTORICAL MASS MEETING.

Lyman Hall High School, South Main Street.

PROGRAM.

1. INVOCATION:
Hon. Arthur P. Greenleaf, Rector St. Paul's Church
2. HYMN: "ONWARD CHRISTION SOLDIERS."
3. "WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS": Hon. Oswin H. D. Fowler
4. "NEW HAVEN, OUR MOTHER TOWN":
Hon. David E. Fitzgerald,
Mayor of New Haven
5. "CHESHIRE, OUR OLDEST OFFSPRING":
Hon. Edwin R. Brown,
Cheshire, Conn.
6. "MERIDEN, OUR YOUNGEST OFFSPRING":
Hon. Daniel J. Donovan,
Mayor of Meriden
7. HYMN: "AMERICA."
8. "THE EARLY CHURCH":
Rev. Oscar T. Maurer, D. D.,
Minister of Center Church, New Haven, Conn.
9. "WALLINGFORD IN ITS EARLY DAYS":
Hon. Norris G. Osborn, New Haven, Conn.
10. HYMN: "HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION."
11. "THE AMERICAN ARMY":
Hon. John Q. Tilson,
Representative to Congress from Conn.
12. "CONNECTICUT":
Hon. Thomas L. Reilly,
High Sheriff of New Haven County
13. "A WORD OF APPRECIATION":
Hon. C. Storrs Hall, First Selectman
14. HYMN: "DOXOLOGY."
15. BENEDICTION:
Rev. John H. Carroll, Pastor Holy Trinity Church
16. "STAR SPANGLED BANNER."

Sunday, September 5.
Evening at 6:30 o'clock.

COMMUNITY SINGING.

At the Choate School Field, North Elm Street.
Under direction of Hawley W. Lincoln.
Music by Meriden Military Band.

COMMITTEE.

Harry F. Penniman, chairman; John Ohr, Jr., Floyd Wallace, John
W. Barrington, Thomas J. Cook, Mrs. William P. Lynch,
Miss Emma Gains.

Monday, September 6.
Morning.

AUTOMOBILE PARADE.

Cash Prizes for Handsomest Appearing Cars.

Cars will assemble on the side streets off from Church street, right of line resting on Church street headed west. The line will move down Church street to Colony, to Center, to Fair, to Ward, to South Elm, through to Christian, to North Main, to Dutton park, countermarch through Main to Parson, to South Whittlesey avenue, through to Christian, to Colony, to Parker, to North Cherry, through to Ward, to Colony, to Center, to Main, to Church for dismissal at foot of hill.

Drivers will maintain distance between cars of fifty feet.

The Committee.

DR. JOHN J. BROSNAN, Chairman.

Dr. John H. Buffum,
Charles T. Heslin,
Dwight T. Carter,
Seymour D. Hall,
James J. Shortell,
Harry Goldman,
Alfred J. Taylor,

Dr. William J. Riordan,
John W. Leavenworth,
Everts C. Stevens,
Nicholas J. Downey,
James T. Leonard,
Frederick J. Roberge,
Russell Edell.

Monday, September 6.
Afternoon.

BABY CARRIAGE PARADE.

Parade forms on grounds of Whittlesey avenue school, corner of South Whittlesey avenue and Ward street, and line moves at 2:30 o'clock.

Line of march: School grounds to Ward street, to South Main and past reviewing stand, to North Main, to Church street, to North Whittlesey avenue and disband.

Various prizes are offered for decorations, etc.

Committee.

Mrs. William M. Casey, Chairman.
Mrs. Robert Miner, Mrs. Robert Hassett, Mrs. Almon Hall,
Mrs. B. A. Porter, Mrs. C. C. Robinson.

COLONIAL BALL

MONDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 6.

THE CHOATE SCHOOL GYMNASIUM.

(North Elm St., near Christian St.)

THE BALL COMMITTEE.

MARC. B. SANDERS, Chairman.

Daniel H. Havens, John B. Morse, R. E. Wilkes, Joseph Bedell, William J. Lum, Samuel W. Clulee, Charles J. Benham, Everts C. Stevens, Harry E. Dickerman, Charles F. Williams, Peter N. Prior, Herman A. Delius, George E. Steele, Harry Biggins, W. Austin Pratt, Herbert H. Walker, Floyd Wallace, Claude Kitfield, C. W. Bailey, Samuel W. Hubbard, H. Winter Davis, Henry A. Norton, Edwin H. Brown, Linwood V. Hall, Dr. J. H. Buffum, Edward C. Cox, J. Carlton Offen, Dwight T. Carter, Dr. I. E. Brainard, Harry Haywood, R. R. McOrmond, Wardell St. John, C. F. Thompson, John R. Cottrill, R. H. Taber, William H. Edsall, Frank A. Wallace, Charles H. Tibbits, Harry H. Bristol, John W. Leavenworth, C. Storrs Hall, Charles G. Phelps, Dr. James D. McGaughey, James McKenna, H. B. O'Brien, Joseph R. Ribie, Malcolm Wallace, Roy Stuart, Herbert I. Lee, Charles Loucks, Charles H. Nearing, Ray Brown, Daniel W. Williams.

FLOOR COMMITTEE.

D. H. Havens.	Wm. J. Lum.
S. W. Clulee.	Geo. E. Steele.
H. A. Delius.	John R. Cottrill.
R. E. Wilkes.	Joseph Bedell.
H. E. Dickerman.	Chas. F. Williams.
W. Austin Pratt.	Harry Haywood.
R. R. McOrmond.	Wardell St. John.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE.

John B. Morse.	Charles H. Tibbits.
Charles J. Benham.	Everts C. Stevens.
Peter N. Prior.	Harry Biggins.
Floyd Wallace.	H. H. Walker.
Charles G. Phelps.	C. W. Bailey.
Ray Brown.	Daniel W. Williams.
H. Winter Davis.	Samuel W. Hubbard.
Henry A. Norton.	Claude Kitfield.
Edwin H. Brown.	Linwood V. Hall.
Edward C. Cox.	Dr. J. H. Buffum.
Dwight T. Carter.	Dr. I. E. Brainard.

Old fashioned dances, including exhibition dance of the Minuet.
Hours 8 until 12, midnight.

Music by Roy Ward's Ten Piece Orchestra.

MARKED HISTORICAL SITES.

1. Near this spot was erected the First Church of Christ, Congregational, 1681. Before that, from 1670, the people met for religious worship in private homes.

2. John Hall Site, 1670. One of the three Hall brothers who came here at the first settlement.

3. Site of the Carrington house. Sir William Franklin, governor of New Jersey, confined here in 1775. He was the leading Tory in the Revolution and was a son of Benjamin Franklin who was one of the leading patriots.

4. Site of the Wells Meeting House, 1760. The congregation was composed of dissatisfied Congregationalists who did not like the teachings of the Rev. James Dana, pastor of the First Church, and separated from that communion. This schism was a noted event in the annals of New England Congregationalism and was the cause of much excitement here for many years.

About 1831 the property came into possession of the Episcopate and is now the site of St. Paul's church.

5. Site of John Moss, Jr.'s homestead, 1715, now occupied by what the older inhabitants knew as the "Beach House," erected for and occupied by Moses Y. Beach, the founder of the New York Sun. To the present generation it is St. George's Inn.

6. Site of the Old Washington Hotel, famous as the Carrington Tavern in 1789 when General Washington visited Wallingford and stopped here for dinner.

7. Rev. James Dana house, 1760. The home of one of New England's most famous divines and the principal in the celebrated "Dana Controversy" that rocked Congregationalism to its foundations for many years.

8. Lieutenant Nathaniel Merriam Site, 1670. A noted and important personage among the first settlers. The first commander of the town "train band," his house was fortified for a place of refuge in 1675 at the time of King Philip's war. Here he was appointed the "keeper of an ordinary," or tavern, the first one in the town.

9. Rev. Samuel Street allotment. He was the first minister here and presided over forty years at the head of the Congregational society. He was a most saintly man and died universally lamented.

10. Abraham Doolittle lived here at the first settlement and his house was also fortified at the time of the Indian uprising in 1675. He is always referred to as Sergeant Doolittle on the old town records, and his gravestone, marked A. D. 1690, a common field stone, may be seen in the Center street cemetery. The old well is under south-west corner of the house, 304 South Main street.

11. Near this spot stood in 1847 an ancient house occupied by James Hanlon. Here, one Sunday in December of that year, came Father McGarisk, a traveling Catholic Missionary, and said the first Mass. This was the first celebration of the Holy Sacrament here in Wallingford and Catholics came from all parts of the town to be present. James Hanlon died in Illinois about 1883.

12. Nathaniel Rice place, 1670. This name was generally written Roys on the old records. Near this house stood the "Washington Elm" that it is a tradition Washington stood under as he bade farewell to Wallingford citizens in 1789.

The fine elm close by is a scion of that stock and should be preserved as long as possible as a connecting link of Revolutionary day.

OLD LANDMARKS.

Samuel Parson's Homestead, 1776. Wallingford Historical Society's quarters, South Main street. Visit it—all are welcome.

Rev. Samuel Street's homestead, about 1680. South Main street, below Ward street.

Theophilus Jones homestead, 1720. On road west from Quinlivan's Tavern.

Caleb Atwater homestead, 1774. N. E. corner Elm and Christian streets.

Oliver Stanley homestead, 1776, 188 Christian street.

Capt. Joseph Doolittle homestead, 1720. "Rose Farm," west of Turnpike.

Old Rice place, 1770. N. E. corner Main and North streets.

Benajah Johnson place, 1792. Cook Hill. Residence of Mrs. Edwin I. Tuttle.

Col. Thaddeus Cook homestead, 1760-1801. Cook Hill road, north side.

Thomas Hubbard place, 1776. Off Colony Road, south of Yalesville culvert.

Augustus Hall homestead, 1800. East Wallingford, near Whirlwind Hill.

Joseph Blakslee homestead, 1800. North Farms.

Abraham Bishop place, 1769. Quinlivan's Tavern, Turnpike, west side.

Giles Hall homestead, 1760. South Elm street, north of Lyman Hall memorial tablet.

Josiah Hall homestead, 1825. South Elm street opposite Giles Hall place.

Barker house, 1756. Date worked into south gable of house in dark colored bricks. John Barker came to this town from Branford in 1739. Pond Hill district, S. E. part of town.

Captain William Todd house, built more than 125 years ago. N. E. corner Main and Ward streets. Capt. Todd was head of local militia a century ago. He was a carpenter by trade and assisted in construction of the Moses Y. Beach place.

GENERAL INFORMATION.

All guests are invited to register at General Headquarters in rooms of The Wallingford club, Simpson block, North Main street.

Restaurants are to be found on North Main street, Center street, Hall avenue, North and South Colony street, Quinnipiac street and North Orchard streets.

Police headquarters located in the Borough office, Town Hall building.

Drinking fountains, installed through the courtesy of the Borough Water department, will found at the Choate Field and in various parts of the Borough.

North bound trains leave at 6:08, 7:19, 7:59, 9:36 a. m. and 12:24, 2:36, 3:46, 4:26, 6:00, 6:11, 7:31, 9:44 p. m. South bound trains at 5:13, 6:33, 8:13, 10:49, 11:30 a. m. and 3:25, 4:40, 5:18, 6:07, 7:30, 10:16 p. m. Sunday, north bound trains at 8:28, 9:36 a. m. and 12:24, 4:56, 6:50, 7:31, 8:45, 9:44 p. m. and south bound at 7:03, 8:13 and 10:49 a. m. and 12:23, 4:40, 5:41, 7:30 and 10:10 p. m.

The above is Eastern Standard time; add one hour for daylight saving period.

Trolleys leave on the hour for New Haven and half hour for Meriden.

The Choate School group is located at corner of Christian and North Elm streets. The State Masonic Home is located on Masonic avenue, in the western part of the town. The Gaylord Sanatorium is located in the western part of the town, 2½ miles from passenger depot. Wallingford Country club links located off East Center street, half mile from center.

Rest Stations will be found in the parlors of the Episcopal, Congregational and Baptists churches where women and children will be welcomed by the committees in charge.

Comfort stations will be found both up and down town.

Watch indicating street signs for automobile parking places.

Near approaches to the Choate Field will be closed to autos on Saturday afternoon, but Christian street, between Main and Elm, will be open for one-way traffic.

Authorized price for parking cars is 50 cents.

The public is cautioned to protect the Choate School grounds in every particular and to strictly obey the signs and warnings there found.

Wallingford factories will be closed throughout the three days celebration.

Don't forget to visit the exhibition of antiques held daily at auditorium of the Town Hall.

Celebration originated with Wallingford Historical Society, Inc. Visit its Home, South Main street.

Third Battalion, C. S. G., headquarters, rooms of Young Men's Athletic club, Masonic Temple block, North Main street; Putnam Phalanx, First and Second Companies, Governor's Footguards, Lyman Hall High school, South Main street; American Legion, Borough Court, Town Hall building, East Center street.

General information bureau at Wallingford Club, Simpson block.

Graduate nurses and first aid stations located at Congregational church lawn, Colony street park fronting passenger depot and at the Choate Field.

Wallingford is 6 miles from Meriden and 12 miles from New Haven.

Band Concerts daily by Meriden Military band and 102d Regiment band.

Baseball games, South Cherry street grounds, all three days. Monday afternoon a picked team from local Industrial league to play the Waterbury Elks team.

Wallingford was set off from New Haven; Meriden and Cheshire were set off from Wallingford.

THE WALLINGFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY, Inc.



This quaint, old house which it is hoped will be the home of "The Wallingford Historical Society, Inc., for many generations to come, is very pleasantly situated on South Main street, quite near the historical Street and Merriman allotments of 1670 and within rifle range of the stockades built in 1676 when King Philip's hordes of Indians threatened all southern New England.

Under the careful supervision of President Thomas it has been entirely renovated.

He has been ably assisted by ladies of the society who exercised a most judicious taste in the choice of quaint styles of paper that thoroughly harmonize with the age of the old house.

From some rooms the paper was entirely removed, thus revealing ancient paneling of fine workmanship that would cost a fortune to procure now.

The age of this interesting place is not known as yet, but Hon. O. H. D. Fowler has traced it back on the town records to 1759.

During the Revolution it was probably occupied by the Parsons family, after whom Parsons street was named. The Parsons and Hall families were united by marriage. Esther Parsons was a daughter of Samuel Hall and mentioned on the records as widow of "Cornet" John Parsons in 1766.

Cornet being a military title ranking in olden time between a lieutenant and sergeant. Nowadays he would be called "top sergeant" and duly consigned to punishment eternal by privates under him every morning at reveille, that bugle call abhorred by lazy soldiers.

Whether or not Cornet Parsons gained his military title by active service is not known but Wallingford sent a large contingent to Cape Breton and the siege of Louisburg.

Jesse Hall deeded to Caleb Thompson, a portion of the property in 1803. Before that time it had been used as a tavern and a stopping place for the stages that used to run between New York and Boston.

President Thomas, however, denies any intention of claiming General Washington stopped here to dine when he visited Wallingford.

In 1805 Captain Thompson moved his family into the house. He was a carriage builder by trade and pursued that calling in a shop that stood in the north front corner of the yard, on the site now partly occupied by the "Liberty tree" recently dedicated by the society. He was a skilled cabinet maker and at one time made coffins in this shop.

It is a tradition that the Wallingford small boy of that period, if after dark, approached that part of South Main street in fear and trembling and whistled in boyish glee when the "coffin shop" was far behind him.

Years after this shop was moved to South Colony street and made into a dwelling house where it still stands but the weird tales connected with it are there unknown.

Captain Thompson's daughter married Eli W. Ives, who for sixteen years was judge of probate and town clerk. He was a gentleman of the old school, very dignified and precise.

One has only to go to the probate and town records of the early 40's and 50's and see how beautifully they are written to know they were kept by a gentleman of education and refinement.

Quite recently the commission granted by Governor John Treadwell in 1805, to Caleb Thompson, naming him a captain in command of a Wallingford company of infantry, came into possession of the historical society.

Some years ago it had been given the late Major Norton by Joseph Noyes, a descendant of Rev. James Noyes, who lived in the "Dana" house now occupied by George Dickerman, another of our old historic Wallingford mansions.

Mrs. Hannah Norton presented the commission to the historical society, who have had it framed and it will come back after one hundred years to the original house where it was first received by Captain Thompson.

Fannie I. Schember, to whose generosity the historical society owes the possession of this beautiful home, is daughter of Judge Ives and granddaughter of Captain Caleb Thompson. Her early childhood and youth was spent here and the place is endeared to her by countless early associations.

To her not only is the Wallingford Historical Society indebted but our entire community is under a great obligation for what is a most attractive adjunct to the literary and social life of the town.

She is a resident of New Haven at present and it is to be hoped will live many years to enjoy the pleasure and satisfaction of knowing her childhood home will be a Mecca in generations to come for the historian and the antiquarian as well as a center of community interest.

The Wallingford Historical Society was incorporated in 1919. It has about 200 members, and the purpose of the society is to collect and preserve whatever may serve to explain or illustrate the archaeology, the art and literature, the history, civil, ecclesiastical, or natural, of the state of Connecticut, especially that part thereof known as the Quinnipiac valley, including the town of Wallingford and the parts adjacent thereto, as deemed advisable; to provide in a suitable manner for their care, preservation and exhibition, to hold such meetings and provide and conduct such lectures as may aid in

the scientific, literary and benevolent education of the community; to print or furnish such publications as may be thought desirable, also to do such things as may be deemed proper, and to receive, invest and care for any gift of money or other property which may be made to such society.

The officers are: Marshall K. Thomas, president; John B. Kendrick, first vice president; Charles G. Phelps, second vice president; Charles H. Tibbits, third vice president; John G. Phelan, secretary; Morgan P. Dickerman, financial secretary; George E. Dickerman, treasurer; Rev. Arthur P. Greenleaf, Marcus E. Cooke, Henry Winter Davis, Emma J. Barber, Linus H. Hall, J. Norris Barnes, Jennie V. Johnson, Edith Hart Goddard, Clarence H. Brown, trustees.

Since the organization of this society great interest has been taken in the story of our historic old town.

Many books and manuscripts are being constantly saved from destruction that will in the future be invaluable. As time passes objects of art, antique furniture, curios, and the thousand and one things that will tend to the information and education of future generations of Wallingford people will be gathered and preserved.

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